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## Quick Facts

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Frank Ardaiole

ROCK HILL, S.C. — Winthrop University's **Division of Student Life** has been named one of the **"Top 30 Promising Places to Work in Student Affairs"** by The Ohio State University's **Center for Inclusion, Diversity and Academic Success (IDEAS)**.

Winthrop joins fellow institutions such as Lehigh University, California State Polytechnic University and the universities of Stony Brook and Vermont in the list, which appears in the March 27 edition of *Diverse Issues in Higher Education*.

IDEAS specializes in research, outreach and support to increase minority student recruitment and success locally and nationally. It is led by Dr. Terrell L. Strayhorn, who serves as an associate professor of higher education at OSU as well as a research associate in both the Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race & Ethnicity and the Todd A. Bell National Resource Center for African American Males.

The *Diverse Issues in Higher Education* publication and American College Personnel Association commissioned IDEAS for a national study investigating promising places to work in student affairs. The study investigated the administrative structure and practices of student affairs divisions at campuses across the United States. Criteria included:

- Institutional characteristics;
- Practices related to workplace diversity;
- Staffing practice;
- Family friendliness;
- Work-life practices; and
- Opportunities for professional development.

**Vice President for Student Life Frank Ardaiole** said, "This acknowledgement reflects the commitment of the Student Life staff and Winthrop itself for helping our students to learn how to live rightly and well for we always try to model what we teach."

Winthrop representatives will accept the award April 2 at the American College Personnel Association (ACPA) conference in Indianapolis, Ind.

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